

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 2004-63-C - ORDER NO. 2006-170  
MARCH 16, 2006

IN RE: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.,	)	ORDER GRANTING
Complainant/Petitioner,	)	REQUEST FOR
	)	ADDITIONAL
vs.	)	EXTENSION TO FILE
	)	TESTIMONY
NewSouth Communications Corp.,	)	
Defendant/Respondent.	)	

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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the March 8, 2006, request of NewSouth Communications Corp. (NewSouth) to extend the time to file NewSouth's direct testimony in the present complaint proceeding. According to NewSouth, this request is made with the consent of the other parties to this docket, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and the Office of Regulatory Staff (collectively, the Parties).

Pursuant to Commission Order No. 2006-126, *Order Altering Procedural Schedule*, the original deadline for filing of direct testimony by NewSouth was extended from February 15, 2006, to March 8, 2006. NewSouth filed on March 8, 2006, its current request for an additional extension of time to file direct testimony in this docket. According to NewSouth, the Parties intend to submit a detailed scheduling proposal for this proceeding, which will include a testimony deadline for NewSouth, in the very near future.

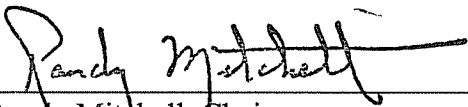
We have examined NewSouth's request and have concluded that NewSouth's request for an additional extension of time should be granted as filed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

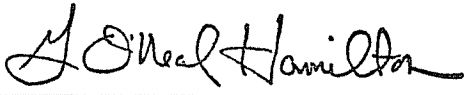
1. NewSouth Communications Corp.'s request for an extension of the time set forth in Order No. 2006-126 in which to file NewSouth's direct testimony in this docket is granted.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
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Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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